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Applicants : Donald Mickle et al.
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TRANSPLANTATION INTO DAMAGED
MYOCARDIUM

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 2, 2002 in the above-identified application, which action was made Final. Applicants have petitioned concurrently herewith to extend the time for response for three months, up to and including January 2, 2003, and have paid the required fee. Kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please cancel claims 13 and 25-28, without prejudice. Please replace claims 1-2 and 4-6 with substitute claims 1-2 and 4-6, set forth below.

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